Introduced by Senator Denham

August 10, 2006

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 131—Relative to children's vision and learning month.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 131, as introduced, Denham. Children's vision and learning month.

This measure would declare August 2006 as Children's Vision and Learning Month.

Fiscal committee: no.

- 1 WHEREAS, As children across the state prepare for the start
- 2 of another school year, many of them will begin their studies
- 8 with undiagnosed and untreated vision problems; and
- WHEREAS, Research shows that vision disorders are the number one handicapping condition of children; and
- WHEREAS, In fact, as many as one in four schoolage children have vision problems, according to the College of Optometrists in Vision Development; and
- 9 WHEREAS, All children deserve the opportunity to learn and to achieve their full potential; and
- 11 WHEREAS, For this reason, public awareness about
- 12 learning-related vision problems is necessary to ensure that
- 13 young people receive the prompt vision treatment that they need
- 14 to enhance their lives; now, therefore, be it
- 15 Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly
- 16 thereof concurring, That the Legislature declares August 2006 as
- 17 Children's Vision and Learning Month and encourages parents,

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educators, school nurses, and all concerned adults to recognize the critical role that good vision plays in the learning process and to work together to help prevent or reduce the impact that untreated vision problems can have on our children's ability to read and learn; and be it further

6 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate provide copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.